

them. We are sorry that any of them have to be in the hospital or have to have access to services that are provided under the terms of this amendment. I would be happy to take the suggestion that is embodied in this amendment to the conference committee and try to work out an acceptable provision to be included in the final conference report and bring it back to the Senate.

So I recommend the Senate accept the amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there further debate?

The Senator from Illinois.

Mr. OBAMA. I thank my colleague, the Senator from Mississippi, for that offer, and I believe all of us feel the same way. These are the soldiers that are most severely wounded. We want to take the very best care of them, and I very much appreciate the consideration of the Senator from Mississippi.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there is no further debate, the question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment (No. 390) was agreed to.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. COCHRAN. I thank the Senator and thank the Chair.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I have requests to make, on behalf of the managers of the bill, with respect to amendments that have been cleared on both sides of the aisle.

AMENDMENT NO. 352

I now call up amendment No. 352, on behalf of Mr. SALAZAR, regarding the renaming of the death gratuity.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], for Mr. SALAZAR, for himself and Mr. ALLARD, proposes an amendment numbered 352.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

(Purpose: To rename the death gratuity payable for deaths of members of the Armed Forces as fallen hero compensation, and for other purposes)

On page 162, between lines 22 and 23, insert the following:

SEC. 1113. RENAMING OF DEATH GRATUITY PAYABLE FOR DEATHS OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AS FALLEN HERO COMPENSATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 75 of title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) In section 1475(a), by striking “have a death gratuity paid” and inserting “have fallen hero compensation paid”.

(2) In section 1476(a)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “a death gratuity” and inserting “fallen hero compensation”; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “A death gratuity” and inserting “Fallen hero compensation”.

(3) In section 1477(a), by striking “A death gratuity” and inserting “Fallen hero compensation”.

(4) In section 1478(a), by striking “The death gratuity” and inserting “The amount of fallen hero compensation”.

(5) In section 1479(1), by striking “the death gratuity” and inserting “fallen hero compensation”.

(6) In section 1489—

(A) in subsection (a), by striking “a gratuity” in the matter preceding paragraph (1) and inserting “fallen hero compensation”; and

(B) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “or other assistance” after “lesser death gratuity”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—(1) Such subchapter is further amended by striking “**Death gratuity:**” each place it appears in the heading of sections 1475 through 1480 and 1489 and inserting “**Fallen hero compensation:**”.

(2) The table of sections at the beginning of such subchapter is amended by striking “Death gratuity:” in the items relating to sections 1474 through 1480 and 1489 and inserting “Fallen hero compensation:”.

(c) GENERAL REFERENCES.—Any reference to a death gratuity payable under subchapter II of chapter 75 of title 10, United States Code, in any law, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States shall be deemed to be a reference to fallen hero compensation payable under such subchapter, as amended by this section.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment (No. 352) was agreed to.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 438

Mr. COCHRAN. I send to the desk an amendment on behalf of Mr. SPECTER that is technical in nature and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], for Mr. SPECTER, proposes an amendment numbered 438.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

(Purpose: To make a technical correction to cite the proper section intended to repeal the Department of Labor's transfer authority)

On page 220, line 12, strike “Section 101” and insert “Section 102” in lieu thereof.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment (No. 438) was agreed to.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 354

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I call up amendment No. 354 on behalf of Mr. GRAHAM regarding functions of the general counsel and judge advocate general of the Air Force.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], for Mr. GRAHAM, proposes an amendment numbered 354.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

(Purpose: To prohibit the implementation of certain orders and guidance on the functions and duties of the General Counsel and Judge Advocate General of the Air Force)

On page 169, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

PROHIBITION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF CERTAIN ORDERS AND GUIDANCE ON FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF GENERAL COUNSEL AND JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL OF THE AIR FORCE

SEC. 1122. No funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act, or any other Act, may be obligated or expended to implement or enforce either of the following:

(1) The order of the Secretary of the Air Force dated May 15, 2003, and entitled “Functions and Duties of the General Counsel and the Judge Advocate General”.

(2) Any internal operating instruction or memorandum issued by the General Counsel of the Air Force in reliance upon the order referred to in paragraph (1).

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment (No. 354) was agreed to.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 393

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I now call up amendment No. 393, on behalf of Mr. KENNEDY, regarding the Veterans Health Administration facilities.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], for Mr. KENNEDY, proposes an amendment numbered 393.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.